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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.42 AND 37 CFR 1.497 TO DECISION

Sir:

This is a response to the Decision dated March 21, 2007. This response is accompanied by a Request for Extension of Time of 5 Months under 37 CFR 1.136(a), thereby carrying the due date to October 21, 2007.

At the outset, it is noted that the Notification of Abandonment dated August 21, 2007 was prematurely issued. In a phone conversation with Cynthia Kratz of the USPTO, Ms. Kratz agreed that the Notice of Abandonment was premature and that the abandonment would be withdrawn with no cost to applicant.

Submitted herewith is a new declaration which applicants believe will fully comply with 37 CFR 1.497. In particular, the new declaration provides the citizenship and former residence and mailing address of the deceased inventor Claudio Vita and the citizenship, residence and mailing address information for the surviving inventors and the persons identified as heirs who are signing the declaration on behalf of the deceased inventor.

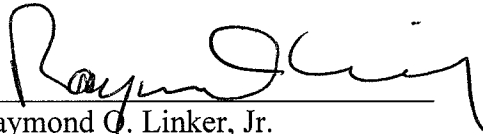
In addition, submitted herewith is a French language Notary Statement and an English translation thereof which confirm that the three heirs listed in the declaration are the only heirs of the deceased inventor.

Also submitted herewith is a statement by Beatrice Ores that the English translation appearing with the French language Declaration is an accurate translation thereof.

It is believed that the accompanying documents fully comply with all outstanding requirements. Applicants request confirmation that the outstanding requirements have been satisfied and that a Filing Receipt is being issued.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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